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Re: U.S. Application No. 10/612,783
Filed: July 2, 2003
Title: Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other Molecules Associated
with Plants and Uses Thereof for Plant Improvement
Applicants: Thomas J. LA ROSA *et al.*
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Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

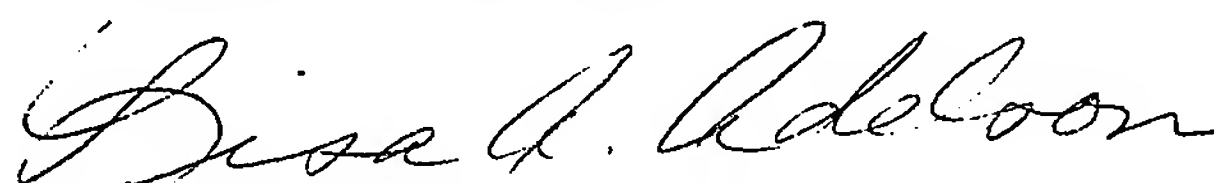
1. a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136;
2. a Notice of Appeal from the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences.

Please charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing docket number 16517.288:

<u>\$1,110.00</u>	fee for 3-month extension of time; and
<u>\$ 540.00</u>	fee for notice of appeal.

In the event that extensions of time beyond those petitioned for herewith are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe any fees are due, other than (\$1,650), in conjunction with this filing. However, if any additional fees are required in the present application, including any additional fees for extensions of time, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Arnold & Porter LLP Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing matter number 16517.288.

Respectfully submitted,



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